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ABOUT THE COLLEGE

In the dawn of the independence there was no institution of the higher learning in the coal belt of Jharia-Dhanbad (now temporarily shifted to Belgaria). The Students of this educationally backward area were in dire need of a college in those days. This was timely recognized by Raja Kali Prasad Singh then the Raja of Jharia. He constituted a trust for establishing the college in 1949 and started Raja Shiv Prasad College in the memory of his father. In 1951 the college secured temporary affiliation with Patna University. Bihar University granted permanent affiliation to the college in 1952. With the establishment of Ranchi University in 1960, Vinoba Bhave University (VBU) in 1992 and "Binod Bihari Mahto Koyalanchal University, Dhanbad in 2017 the College subsequently formed the part of these Universities. The College was registered under Section 2(f) of UGC Act on 31-10-87. The College is the oldest one in Dhanbad and bordering districts and the second oldest constituent unit of VBU, Hazaribag. It became the First NAAC Accredited constituent unit of the University in 2006.

ABOUT UNIVERSITY

"Binod Bihari Mahto Koyalanchal University, Dhanbad" came into existence by the Jharkhand Govt. notification of 23rd March 2017, published as Gazettes notification No 216 (Extra Ordinary) dated 11th April 2017. Foundation stone of the University Campus was laid on 13th November 2017 by the Chief Minister of Jharkhand, **Sri. Raghubar Das**. The University has 10 Constituent colleges, 18 Affiliated colleges, 25 B.Ed. colleges, 02 Engineering colleges, 02 Law colleges and 01 Medical College spread in Dhanbad and Bokaro districts of Jharkhand, with its headquarter at Dhanbad. The University offers Undergraduate and Postgraduate courses with 21 Postgraduate Departments, which includes the Department of Management, Education, Mass Communication, Art & Culture, Law, Foreign Languages, Life Science, Computer Science, and Environmental Science & disaster Management. As per AISHE Survey 2017-18, there are 51603 students (Boys: 24018, Girls: 27585) enrolled in 10 Constituent colleges of the University.

ABOUT THE SEMINAR :

Ignorance breeds prejudice, and misinformation multiplies the harm. Among religious communities, this dynamic of confusion becomes vulnerable to extremist manipulation on all sides, and is particularly volatile if there is no communication among the more moderate and responsible elements within those respective communities. While there are various ways such communication can take place, interfaith dialogue is certainly among the most effective. It refers to cooperative, constructive and positive interaction between people of different religious traditions and/or spiritual or humanistic beliefs, at both the individual and institutional levels. India is a country of multi religious and multicultural identity, but since long time deeply associated sentiments of this multicultural society was misused for several purposes especially in politics. Secularism has always been the central philosophy of national building in independent India. But after independence continuously there have been instances of large-scale communal violence in the country. Conflicts in culture and religion continue to be one of the biggest tensions to the formation and integrity of this national. In this context Interfaith Dialogue in India is a matter of immense importance and an Inventible means for maintaining social harmony, peace and National development.

Education is most important tools to change the world. Arbindo one of the great philosopher and educationist of India said "Education is meant to bring out best in man, to develop his potentialities to the maximum, to integrate him with himself, his surroundings, his society, his country and humanity to make him the complete man, the integral man" In other words education is a social process whose purpose is maintain stability and harmony in between man and man, man and society and society and nature. Education and Religion both are interrelated. It is education through which one can achieve religious goal and this is the religion who guides educational process. This situation calls for an urgent need for values orientation through our educational system. Education occupies an important place in societal development. It could be used effectively to transform the society through value orientation to the teachers — the architects of the national development, leaders and the masses. This can be achieved through well articulated policies on Value and Peace education and the incorporation of value and peace education in the school curricula at all levels of education. In this perspective education is a very significant tool to achieve the aims of Interfaith Dialogue.

SUB THEMES:

- Concept and Context of Interfaith Dialogue
 - Issues and Challenges of Interfaith Dialogue in India
 - Conceptual Understanding of various Religion and Religions in India
 - Youth Engagement for promoting communal harmony
 - Role of Religion for maintaining communal harmony and peace
 - Conflicts in Contemporary Socio-Cultural spheres
 - Universal Human Values
 - Education and National Integration
 - Need of Interreligious Education
 - Need of Education for Peace and Harmony
 - Philosophical Contributions for Peace and Harmony
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- Role of Teacher in Multicultural and Multiethnic Society
 - Any other sub-theme related to the theme

INVITING RESEARCH PAPERS /ARTICLES

Unpublished and Original articles /research papers/ chapters are invited from academicians, professionals, research scholars and students for Seminar. Full Papers including abstract (in either Hindi or English) should be in the following specifications: Abstract in 300-350 words, Times New Roman/12 font size, full paper in 3000-4000 words along with complete details of author (Name, Designation, Institution name, email, contact no., correspondence address) and is to be sent as an email attachment to nfchseminar@gmail.com / ramrsp87@gmail.com, Papers will be reviewed by an academic committee, only selected articles /research papers/ chapters will be published.

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